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STUDENTS FROM BEAVER TECHNOLOGY

Thank you to all the students from Beaver Technology for Math and Science for their donations of pet supplies. They not only collected items for our shelter, but also raised money to buy much needed items. This is the second time they visit our Pet Adoption Center this year. Thank you all for your hard work!

We are available to speak to your group, classroom, special event or have animals for adoption at a community event. Shelter tours are also available for groups. Please contact Community Resource Officer Espinoza at 972-205-3571 or email HEspinoz@garlandtx.gov.



Running into the store for "just a minute" can be fatal for a dog left in a car. The safe choice is to leave your dog at home. The inside of a car can soar to 120 degrees in just half an hour. Dogs left inside a car can suffer a heatstroke or even death.

Leave your pets at home.

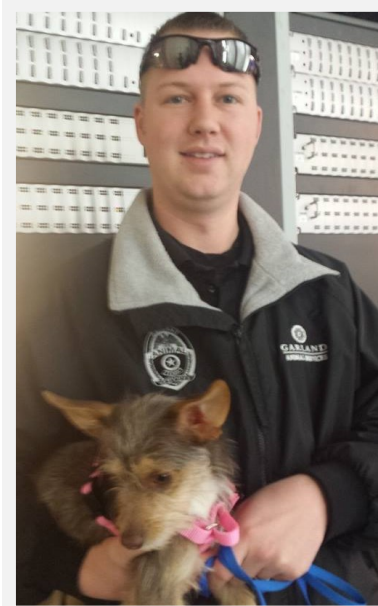
Animal Shelter & Adoption Center
600 Tower St.
Garland, TX 75040
Mon. - Fri. 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sat. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
972-205-3570

Locations

Pet Adoption Center
813 Main St.
Garland, TX 75040
Mon.-Tue. & Thu.-Fri. 1 -5 p.m.
Sat. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Third Sunday of each month
open 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.



Employee of the Month



Congratulations to Senior Animal Service Officer Justin Craft on his selection as the Employee of the Month for the month of May. Justin is a Garland native and has been employed with the Animal Services Department for 6 years. Prior to joining the department, Justin worked as a veterinarian technician in private practice. His job knowledge, technical expertise, positive attitude, and dedication to duty, make Officer Craft a valued asset to the Animal Services team. Officer Craft is always willing to tackle any issue or problems that come his way and he is always willing to help his co-workers when needed. He is a reliable and

proactive Officer always willing to lend a hand. You may also recognize Justin from the 2011 video seen all over the world in which he saved a 4 week old puppy from a deep hole in the ground due to drought conditions. Great job Justin! We are proud of you and glad you are part of the Animal Services family.

Did you Know?

By Senior Officer Juan Porras



With the weather warming up and sun starting to shine, dog owners are taking their pets to the parks and enjoying time with them. But did you know that Garland has an ordinance in effect that requires all dog owners to have their dogs on a leash when visiting our public parks? It's called the "Leash Law" and it is enforced to provide a safe environment for all citizens, both two AND four legged. Garland Animal Services Officers will be enforcing the leash law by patrolling parks and responding to calls regarding loose dogs. If you witness any dogs off leash, please don't hesitate to report it at 972-205-3570.



Statistics



97

ANIMALS WERE ADOPTED BY RESCUE CLUBS

43

PETS WERE ADOPTED BY GARLAND PAWSIBILITIES & PET ADOPTION CENTER

147

ANIMALS WERE ADOPTED BY GARLAND ANIMAL SERVICES SHELTER

110

PETS WERE RECLAIMED BY THEIR OWNERS

3

PETS WERE SPONSORED

935

PETS WERE REGISTERED

878

STRAY ANIMAL CALLS RECEIVED

110

PETS WERE STERILIZED BY CITY VETERINARIAN

1,965

VISITORS

TOP FIVE REASONS TO ADOPT

Thinking of adding a pet to your family? Here are five reasons to adopt your new best friend:



1. If you adopt, you'll save a life.

Around 2.7 million adoptable dogs and cats are euthanized each year in the United States simply because too many people give up their pets, and too few people adopt from shelters.

Because there is limited space at shelters, staff members sometimes need to make very hard decisions to euthanize animals who haven't been adopted. The number of euthanized animals could be reduced dramatically if more people adopted pets instead of buying them.

2. When you adopt, you get a healthy pet

Animal shelters and rescue groups are brimming with happy, healthy animals just waiting for someone to take them home. Most shelters examine and give vaccinations to animals when they arrive, and many spay or neuter them before being adopted. In addition to medical care, more and more shelters also screen animals for specific temperaments and behaviors to make sure each family finds the right pet for its lifestyle.

3. Adopting will save you money

Adopting a pet from an animal shelter or rescue group is much less expensive than buying a pet at a pet store or through other sources. In addition, animals from many shelters are already spayed or neutered and vaccinated, which makes the shelter's fee a real bargain.

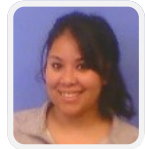
4. Adopting a pet will make you feel better

Pets have a way of putting a smile on your face and a spring in your step. Not only do animals give you unconditional love, but they have been shown to be psychologically, emotionally, and physically beneficial. Caring for a companion animal can provide a sense of purpose and fulfillment and lessen feelings of loneliness and isolation in all age groups.

5. If you adopt, you won't be supporting puppy mills and pet stores

Puppy mills are "factory style" breeding facilities that put profit above the welfare of dogs. Most animals raised in puppy mills are housed in shockingly poor conditions with improper medical care, and the parents of the puppies are kept in cages to be bred over and over for years, without human companionship and with little hope of ever joining a family. And after they're no longer profitable, breeding dogs are simply discarded—either killed, abandoned or sold at auction.

Looking for the right breed?



By Shelter Attendant Celena Ramirez

Here are some facts about breeds that might help you decide on which Breed is the right pet for you!



German Shepherds: German Shepherds are often used as working dogs, they are known as courageous, alert, and very obedient. They will do okay in a small yard or apartment, if sufficiently exercised, however do best in a large yard. As far as grooming the breed does shed bits of hair as the seasons change. They have a life expectancy of an average of 13 years. The Shepherds are classed in the herding group and are most known for how easy they are trained and good with kids.

Labrador Retrievers: The Labrador Retriever is generally considered as the most popular breed in the world. They love to play with water and are very good swimmer. They are even temperament, intelligence, possess a strong sense of smell and are usually quick learners. The Labrador Retriever is known for being friendly, loyal, gentle, hardworking, usually non aggressive and intelligent. They have an average life expectancy of 10-12 years. With their smooth coat and sometimes long hair, grooming is necessary. Usually a brush every few days should control the amount of shedding. The Lab is classed as a member of the Sporting group, so naturally lots of exercise and love will be needed.



Pit Bull Terrier: Pit Bulls often get judged for their looks and strength, however most make great family pets, in-fact Pit Bulls were once known as the "Nanny Dog" due to their loyalty and love for children. Many pit bulls are easygoing couch-potatoes but can also be somewhat rambunctious until they mature. Maturity can come pretty late with this breed (2 to 3 years old in some cases) This breed will do fine in an apartment with sufficient exercise but are also very active and energetic dogs. The average life span is about 10-13 years, depending on care. These dogs can range in coats, so grooming would be difficult to determine at a small age. The pit is known as an average shedder and should be brushed regularly.

Events

Saturday, June 6 from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Garland Pawsibilities Adoptions
Oak Park School
2402 Firewheel Pkwy.
Garland, TX 75040

June 4, 11, 17, 18

Low-Cost Vaccinations (Walk In Basis)
From 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Garland Pet Adoption Center
813 Main Street, Garland, TX 75040
For Additional Information and Sterilization
Scheduling call 940-566-5551 or email TCAP
Texasforthem.org

Saturday, June 20 from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Garland Pawsibilities /Garland Pet Adoption Center
813 Main Street, Garland, TX 75040
Garland, TX 75040

Saturday, June 27 from 1 - 3 p.m.

Garland Pet Adoption Center
813 Main Street
Garland, TX 75040

June 28 from 5 - 8 p.m.

1st Annual Bets for Pets Casino Night
Holiday Inn- North Garland
Visit Garlandpawsibilities.org for more information.

June Only

Fix your kitten or puppy for ONLY \$20
Your pets can safely be fixed as early as 8 weeks of age. Must mention this ad when making appointment. Book your appointment now by calling 972-472-3500.
Puppy or kitten must be under 6 months of age.
LIMITED AVAILABILITY



Donations

Thank you for the great donations. We appreciate all monetary, food, and toy donations. All donations are tax-deductible. Please contact Gracie Morales at 972-205-3548 for credit card donations. Donation form (located on last page of this newsletter) can also be mailed to:

Garland Animal Services
P.O. Box 469002
Garland, TX 75046

Adriana Soto

Allison Okon

Carlos Escobar

Daireann Slotter

Gregory Uhrich

Jana Ferguson

Janie Dotson

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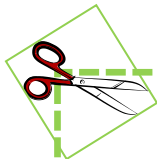
Sylvia Garay

Terri Fasanando

Todd Austin

Willard French





Monetary Donation

I would like to make a donation in the amount of _____.

Please mail this form and check to:

Abe J. Tuggle Animal Shelter and Adoption Center
P.O. Box 469002
Garland, TX 75046

****Please call Gracie Morales at 972-205-3548 if you would like to make your donation by credit card. *****



Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip _____



All donations are tax deductible and we will mail you a receipt.

Garland Animal Shelter Adoption Sponsorship Program



I wish to support adoption of hard to place: (check one of the following) ☐ dogs ☐ cats ☐ dogs and cats

by making a contribution to the animal shelter to help prepay the \$80 or \$35 adoption fee.

Enclosed is my check for \$_____ payable to the "City of Garland Animal Adoption Sponsorship."

Please mail this form and check to:

Abe J. Tuggle Animal Shelter and Adoption Center
P.O. Box 469002
Garland, TX 75046

****Please call Gracie Morales at 972-205-3548 if you would like to make your donation by credit card. ****

Name: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail address: _____



NOTE: Your contribution toward Garland's "Adoption Sponsorship" program will be used to prepay the adoption fee of an animal that would otherwise likely not be adopted. We put a "prepaid" sign on the animal's cage at the shelter, and those looking for a pet will be much more likely to adopt a prepaid animal. Your contribution is tax deductible, and we will mail you a receipt. For contributions of at least \$80, we will email you the photo of the dog(s) and/or cat(s) you sponsored when they are adopted if you would like to receive the photo. We will also include your name as a "sponsor" on the "prepaid" sign on the cage if you would so desire.

I would like to get an E-mail photo: ☐ Yes ☐ No

I would like to include my name on the "prepaid" sign: ☐ Yes ☐ No

If you have any questions about this program, please contact Officer Hugo Espinoza at (972) 205-3571.